

Standards, Compliance, and Enforcement Bulletin

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ACTIVE STANDARDS POSTINGS

Current and Upcoming Ballots (ballot periods close at 8:00 p.m. Eastern)

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
Standard Processes Manual Revisions to Address SPSEG Recommendations	Initial Ballots and Non-binding Polls	02/24/23	03/6/23
Project 2022-01 – Reporting ACE and Associated Terms First Posting	Initial Ballots and Non-binding Polls	03/07/23	03/16/23
NEW Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Draft 2	Initial Ballots and Non-binding Polls	04/04/23	04/13/23

Join Ballot Pools

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
NEW Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Draft 2	Join Ballot Pools	02/28/23	03/29/23

Posted for Comment			
Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
Standard Processes Manual Revisions to Address SPSEG Recommendations	Comment Period	01/18/23	03/06/23
Project 2023-01 – EOP-004 IBR Event Reporting SAR	Comment Period	02/07/23	03/08/23
Project 2022-01 – Reporting ACE and Associated Terms First Posting	Comment Period	01/31/23	03/16/23
Project 2023-02 – Performance of IBRs SAR	Comment Period	02/22/23	03/23/23
NEW Project 2021-03 – CIP-002 Communications Protocol Converters SAR	Comment Period	03/03/23	03/31/23
NEW Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Draft 2	Comment Period	02/28/23	04/13/23

Posted for Comment			
Posting	Action	Start Date	End Date
<p>Comment Period Open for Proposed Revisions to the NERC Rules of Procedure: NERC is proposing a series of revisions to Section 300 (Reliability Standards Development) and Appendix 3A (Standard Processes Manual) to its Rules of Procedure. The proposed revisions were developed by the Standards Process Stakeholder Engagement Group to improve the agility of NERC’s standard development processes to address urgent reliability needs with appropriate agility, while also maintaining reasonable notice and opportunity for public comment, due process, openness, and balance of interests. More information on this project is available on the SPSEG Recommendations page.</p> <p>NERC requests comments on the proposed revisions to the NERC Rules of Procedure. Given the related nature of the changes, the changes to Section 300 and Appendix 3A are being posted concurrently. Due to the different procedural</p>	<p><u>Proposed Changes to Section 300 of the Rules of Procedure:</u> The proposed changes to Section 300 of the Rules of Procedure are posted for public comment from January 18, 2023 through March 6, 2023. Comments must be submitted electronically to ROPcomments@nerc.net.</p> <p><u>Proposed Changes to Appendix 3A, Standard Processes Manual</u></p>	01/18/23	03/06/18

<p>requirements for approval, commenters must submit comments on the proposed changes to Section 300 and Appendix 3A separately.</p> <p>Redlined versions of NERC Rules of Procedure, title(s) of proposed revised ROP section(s) and/or appendices showing the proposed revisions are now available at: NERC Rules of Procedure and Standard Process Stakeholder Engagement Group Recommendations. In addition, the posting includes a separate document that provides a detailed summary of the proposed revisions here. NERC intends to submit these changes to the NERC Board of Trustees for its consideration in the first half of 2023.</p>	<p>The proposed changes to the Standard Processes Manual are posted for a formal public comment period from January 18, 2023 through March 6, 2023. Members of the Registered Ballot Body can join the ballot pool during the first 30 days of the public comment period; the initial ballot will take place during the last 10 days of the comment period. All comments must be submitted through the NERC Standards Balloting System.</p>		
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STANDARDS NEWS

There is no additional Standards news to report for this week.

Quick Links

- [Register in the SBS](#)
- [Projected Standards Posting Schedule](#)
- [Project Tracking Spreadsheet](#)
- [2021–2023 Reliability Standards Development Plan](#)
- [Quality Review Application](#)
- [One-Stop Shop \(Status, Purpose, Implementation Plans, FERC Orders, RSAWs\)](#)
- [CIP Standards Efficiency Review](#)
- [Submit Questions or Feedback](#)

GENERAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT NEWS

NEW NERC Publishes CMEP and ORCP Annual Report

NERC published a report highlighting key ERO Enterprise Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program (CMEP) and Organization Registration and Certification Program (ORCP) activities that occurred in 2022 and provides information and statistics regarding those activities. The [2022 CMEP and ORCP Annual Report](#) is available on the Compliance & Enforcement page.

Quick Links

[Compliance Monitoring & Enforcement Program One-Stop Shop](#)
[ERO Enterprise Program Alignment Process](#)
[Consistency Reporting Tool \(EthicsPoint\)](#)
[Risk-Based Registration Initiative](#)
[Reliability Standard Audit Worksheets](#)
[Enforcement & Mitigation: Enforcement Actions](#)
[Align Project](#)

OTHER NEWS

NEW GridSecCon 2023 Call for Abstracts

NERC, the E-ISAC, and the Northeast Power Coordinating Council are requesting abstracts from grid security professionals on physical and cyber security best practices and the challenges faced by the industry to be considered for the upcoming GridSecCon 2023. Submissions for training sessions and breakout sessions are welcome from asset owners and operators in physical or cyber security roles, academic researchers, and industry and government experts. [Abstracts](#) should be submitted by March 31 and notifications will be made to those accepted by April 21.

Training sessions (October 17) will be in eight-hour increments; breakout sessions (October 18–19) will be in one-hour increments. Submissions should address one of the four conference tracks:

- Cyber Security
- Physical Security
- Supply Chain
- Special Topics

GridSecCon 2023 will take place in Québec City, Canada, October 17–20, 2023. For more information or assistance, please contact events@eisac.com.

NEW NERC News Posted

NERC’s monthly newsletter is now available for [February](#). Highlights in this edition include:

- ERO Executive Spotlight – Sara Patrick, President and Chief Executive Officer, MRO
- NERC Headlines and Activities
- NERC Filings
- ERO Enterprise Events

STANDARDS SUBJECT TO FUTURE ENFORCEMENT

Please refer to the [U.S. Effective Dates page](#) for the most up-to-date information on effective dates and for more detail on the below.

U.S. Effective Dates for Reliability Standards

U.S. Effective Date	Standard(s)
April 1, 2023	EOP-011-2 – Emergency Preparedness and Operations
	IRO-010-4 – Reliability Coordinator Data Specification and Collection
	TOP-003-5 – Operational Reliability Data
July 1, 2023	TPL-001-5.1 – Transmission System Planning Performance Requirements Implementation Plan
January 1, 2024	CIP-004-7 – Cyber Security – Personnel & Training
	CIP-011-3 – Cyber Security - Information Protection
	FAC-001-4 – Facility Interconnection Requirements Implementation Plan
	FAC-002-4 – Facility Interconnection Studies Implementation Plan
	TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R7, 7.1–7.3, 7.3.1–7.3.2, 7.4, 7.4.1–7.4.3, 7.5, 7.5.1., R11, 11.1–11.3, 11.3.1–11.3.2, 11.4, 11.4.1–11.4.3, 11.5, and 11.5.1)
April 1, 2024	FAC-003-5 – Transmission Vegetation Management
	FAC-011-4 – System Operating Limits Methodology for the Operations Horizon
	FAC-014-3 – Establish and Communicate System Operating Limits
	IRO-008-3 – Reliability Coordinator Operational Analyses and Real-time Assessments
	PRC-023-5 – Transmission Relay Loadability Implementation Plan
	PRC-002-3 – Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements Implementation Plan
	PRC-026-2 – Relay Performance During Stable Power Swings Implementation Plan
TOP-001-6 – Transmission Operations	

BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FERC ACTION

NEW NERC Filings

On March 2, 2023, NERC submitted to FERC a [Petition for Approval of Proposed Reliability Standard PRC-023-6](#). You can find all filings to FERC for 2023 [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

For information about other NERC events, such as meetings and conference calls for other standing committees, subcommittees, task forces, and working groups, please refer to the [NERC calendar](#).

Workshops and Conferences

- Cold Weather Preparedness Small Group Advisory Sessions, March 7, 2023 | **Registration Closed**
- 2023 Probabilistic Analysis Forum – October 10–12, 2023, Salt Lake City, UT | **Save the Date**
- GridSecCon 2023 – October 17–20, 2023 | **Save the Date**

Webinars

- Cold Weather Preparedness Small Group Advisory Session | General Session Webinar – 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Eastern, March 7, 2023 | [Register](#)
- **NEW** Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Webinar – 1:00–2:30 p.m. Eastern, March 14, 2023 | [Register](#)

Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls

- Reliability and Security Technical Committee Meetings – March 21–23, 2023, Clearwater, FL | [Register](#)
- Standards Committee Meeting – 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Central, March 22, 2023, Little Rock, AR | [Register](#)

Standard Drafting Team Meetings

- Project 2021-02 – Modifications to VAR-002 Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 9:30–11:30 a.m. Eastern, March 7, 2023 | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–2:30 p.m. Eastern, March 9, 2023 | [Register](#)

- Project 2021-02 – Modifications to VAR-002 Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 9:30–11:30 a.m. Eastern, March 10, 2023 | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-08 – Modifications to FAC-008 Standard Drafting Team Meeting – March 13–14, 2023, Atlanta | [Register](#)

ABOUT THE STANDARDS, COMPLIANCE, AND ENFORCEMENT BULLETIN

This weekly bulletin compiles a list of standards, compliance, and enforcement projects with actionable deadlines, as well as upcoming events, recently posted resources, other NERC documents posted for comment, and other relevant news and information. Please email [Amy Klagholz](#) with feedback on this bulletin. The current bulletin and old bulletins are available under “Program News” on both the [Standards home page](#) and the [Compliance & Enforcement home page](#).

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